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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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Applicant's or agent's file reference 54923PCT	FOR FURTHER ACTION	see Form PCT/ISA/220 as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.
International application No. PCT/AU2004/001415	International filing date (<i>day/month/year</i>) 15 October 2004	(Earliest) Priority Date (<i>day/month/year</i>) 17 October 2003
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1. Basis of the report

- a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

☐ The international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1(b)).

- b. ☐ With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.

2. ☐ **Certain claims were found unsearchable** (See Box No. II).

3. ☐ **Unity of invention is lacking** (See Box No. III).

4. With regard to the **title**,

☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

☐ the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

5. With regard to the **abstract**,

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6. With regard to the **drawings**,

- a. the figure of the drawings to be published with the abstract is Figure No. **5**

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- b. ☐ none of the figures is to be published with the abstract.

Box No. IV Text of the Abstract (Continuation of item 5 of the first sheet)

A power controller for use with lighting systems including a direct current voltage source [50], a coil of known inductance [55], a switch means [54] adapted to control application of the source voltage to the coil, means adapted to select a required duty cycle for the switch such that the input power level is substantially constant, and means [51] adapted to control operation of the switch such that this selected duty cycle is effected. A switch mode DC-DC converter is disclosed, wherein regulation occurs by manipulation of input power, without current monitoring.

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER		
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Information on patent family members

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